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MONTGOMERY COUNTY - Solid Waste Disposal
Hillsboro / Eagle Picher

TO: Environmental Protection Agency
Attention: Bureau of Land Pollution Control

FROM: West Central Region

DATE: December 10, 1970

INTERVIEWED: Mr. Robert Kirk, Sanitarian, Montgomery County Health Dept.
Mr. Bradford, Plant Superintendent

On the above date, a visit was made to Eagle Picher Industries, Inc. in Hillsboro to investigate their methods of refuse disposal. A large amount of refuse had been observed on their property from a distance while inspecting the Lessman - Seybert site. Mr. Kirk of the County Health Department accompanied this writer.

Mr. Bradford was contacted and accompanied the inspectors to the refuse disposal area west of the plant. Refuse disposal takes place along both sides of a small road on the property extending west approximately 150 yards toward an on-site pond. The refuse on the south side of the road consisted solely of industrial waste from the plant such as cinders and slag. All along the north side of the road were large piles of sheet metal scrap, cardboard and paper. In several areas, tin cans and evidence of decomposed garbage were noted. Mr. Bradford stated that the firm in the past allowed its employees to dump their household refuse in this area. The pond at the end of the road contained numerous 55 gallon drums dumped on the bank and into the water. This pond reportedly overflows to Shoal Creek.

Mr. Bradford was told of the various Rules and Regulations pertaining to refuse disposal and dumping in water. He stated that a clean up of the area would be initiated.

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cc - Montgomery County Health Department

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Sanitary Inspector